

# FY 2015 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOURTH PROGRAM YEAR

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Annual Action Plan includes the <u>SF 424</u> and Narrative Responses to Action Plan questions that CDBG, HOME, HOPWA, and ESG grantees must respond to each year in order to be compliant with the Consolidated Planning Regulations. The Executive Summary narratives are optional.

## **Narrative Responses**

## **GENERAL**

#### **Executive Summary**

The Executive Summary is required. Include the objectives and outcomes identified in the plan and an evaluation of past performance.

#### **Program Year 4 Action Plan Executive Summary:**

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and is authorized by Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. CDBG is one of the longest continuously run programs at HUD. The grant program provides communities with resources through annual grants on a formula basis to address a broad range of unique community development needs. The primary objective of CDBG is to enhance and maintain urban communities through the provision of decent housing, a suitable living environment and the expansion of economic opportunities predominantly for persons or households of low to moderate income.

The 2015 Annual Action Plan (AAP) is the fourth year of the City's Five Year Consolidated Plan 2012-2016. Cathedral City is an entitlement city that receives funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to assist in the development of sustainable communities by supporting projects that provide decent housing, sustainable living environments, and expansion of economic opportunities for low to moderate income persons. The City is required to adopt an Annual Action Plan for the use of these funds which serves as the means to meet the application and submission requirements for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Cathedral City does not receive ESG, HOME or HOPWA funding from HUD.

This Annual Action Plan outlines activities that will be undertaken during the program year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending on June 30, 2016. These activities will benefit low to moderate income residents, neighborhoods that are designated Target Areas, and City wide benefits.

For Fiscal Year 2014 – 2015, the City of Cathedral City allocated CDBG funds to the following agencies to provide public services to low and moderate income residents: Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board, Cathedral Center, Roy's Desert Resource Center, and Shelter from the Storm. CDBG funds will continue to be allocated to provide the same programs and services. However, the City has decided not to continue to fund Shelter from the Storm as it is difficult to determine whether their services provide a direct benefit to residents of the community.

For the previous fiscal year, the City planned to rehabilitate and install sidewalks on Corregidor Drive to provide a safe and efficient linkage on foot or by bike for children attending Cathedral City Elementary

School. Corregidor Drive is located on the east side of the City in Census Track 449.16. This area was identified as having inadequate improvements for pedestrians and bicyclists during a City Development Services meeting. This project will be completed soon and will provide a safer route for children walking to and from school.

San Joaquin Drive was also identified as needing rehabilitation and installation of sidewalk for better walking circulation. San Joaquin Drive is located in Census Track 447.02 in the Dream Homes Community. San Joaquin Drive is situated parallel to San Antonio Drive to the west and intersects Mission Drive to the north. CDBG funds were utilized to survey; design plans and rehabilitate a portion of this street. This survey will also identify the challenges of relocating utilities, fences and mailboxes from the City's right-of-way to install sidewalk and rehabilitate the pavement on San Joaquin Drive. This engineering study is currently underway. FY 2015 CDBG funds will be assigned for the installation of street, curbs and gutters.

#### **General Questions**

- Describe the geographic areas of the jurisdiction (including areas of low income families and/or racial/minority concentration) in which assistance will be directed during the next year. Where appropriate, the jurisdiction should estimate the percentage of funds the jurisdiction plans to dedicate to target areas.
- 2. Describe the basis for allocating investments geographically within the jurisdiction (or within the EMSA for HOPWA) (91.215(a)(1)) during the next year and the rationale for assigning the priorities.
- 3. Describe actions that will take place during the next year to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs.
- 4. Identify the federal, state, and local resources expected to be made available to address the needs identified in the plan. Federal resources should include Section 8 funds made available to the jurisdiction, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, and competitive McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act funds expected to be available to address priority needs and specific objectives identified in the strategic plan.

#### **Action Plan General Questions response:**

CDBG funding will be used for projects and services focused in the Target Area where more than one half of the residents are of low to moderate income. Target Areas are typically located in the center of the city. The target area in Cathedral City includes Census Tracts 450.00, 105.00, 448.08, 106.00, 449.16, 449.07, 449.15 and 447.02 which represents eight out of 20 tracts. A map of the target area is located in the appendix. Target Areas are characterized as having high concentrations of low and moderate income families, high unemployment, and deferred home maintenance. Anticipated projects to assist in these areas include reconstruction and rehabilitation (R&R) of badly deteriorated streets, limited Building and Safety Code Compliance, and public service programs.

	CDBG
FY 2015 ENTITLEMENT AMOUNT	\$526,093
ADMINISTRATIVE ALLOWANCE (20%)	\$105,218
PUBLIC SERVICES ALLOWANCE (15%)	\$78,913
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ALLOWANCE (65%)	\$341,962

#### **Administrative Objectives**

Administrative CDBG funding will be used to manage the overall program processes and planning. The Administrative allowance for managing the CDBG program is a maximum of twenty percent (20%). Program planning activities include the development of comprehensive plans, community development plans, energy strategies, capacity building, environmental studies, neighborhood plans and other plans. Administrative CDBG funding includes salaries, wages, and related costs of City Staff involved in program management, monitoring, and evaluation.

Administrative funding will also be used to fund fair housing activities related to administration through Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB). IFHMB is a non-profit, public benefit corporation that serves San Bernardino County and parts of Riverside and Imperial Counties. IFHMB assist individuals in resolving issues related to housing discrimination, homeownership sustainability, rental complaints, and disputes in court through the provision of resource recommendations, education, and mediation.

FY 2015 ADMINISTRATIVE ALLOWANCE	CDBG
CC Planning & Administration	\$93,218
Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB)	\$12,000
TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE:	\$105,218

#### **Public Services**

The CDBG program requires that fifteen percent (15%) of the award entitlement grant be spent on funding public services for low and moderate income residents in Cathedral City. For Fiscal year 2015 – 2016, CDBG funds will be used to fund agencies that provide services to seniors, youth and homeless persons throughout Cathedral City.

Each year, the City funds the Cathedral Center to provide programs and activities for the senior community such as Meals on Wheels, Mobile Pantry, Group Exercise, Healthy Aging and Bilingual Outreach Program. This grant allocation will be used for both personnel and non-personnel services needed to administer the activities and programs for senior citizens.

In addition, the City will continue to fund Roy's Desert Resource Center in Palm Springs. This center offers shelter and other supportive services for homeless individuals, families and veterans to help them get back on their feet. As part of the strategic plan to end homelessness in Riverside County, the City of Cathedral City will continue to fund this cause in an ongoing effort to provide the necessary services to make a difference in the community.

FY 2015 PUBLIC SERVICES ALLOWANCE	CDBG
Roy's Desert Resource Center	\$51,500
Cathedral Center	\$21,500
TOTAL ALLOCATIONS:	\$73,000

#### **Capital Improvement Projects**

For the 2015-2016 funding cycle Cathedral City has chosen to utilize CDBG funding for capital improvements for the reconstruction of Ortega Road located in census tract 449.15. This street has been selected to receive funding because of the urgent need to revitalize the asphalt and install curbs and gutters. Ortega Road is badly deteriorated, with potholes, significant cracks and some streets with almost no hard-surface pavement. Ortega Road is a school bus stop for children commuting to and from school. CDBG funds will be used in combination with a *Safe Routes to School* federal grant to facilitate these capital improvements.

CDBG funding was also been allocated for the rehabilitation of San Joaquin Drive located in census track 447.02. For Fiscal Year 2014, CDBG funding was budgeted to conduct a survey and engineering design to determine what the fiscal impact and challenges would be to install curb and gutter and rehabilitate San Joaquin Drive. For this fiscal year, funding has been budgeted to implement these facility improvements.

Priority is given to Target Areas because of their concentrations of low and moderate income families, high unemployment, and delayed maintenance of property. A map of the area showing the proposed Ortega Road Street Improvements for R&R is located in the appendix.

FY 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ALLOWANCE	CDBG
Ortega Road Street Improvements	\$224,450
San Joaquin Street Improvements	\$117,512
Public Service Balance (applied to Ortega Road Improvements)	\$5913
TOTAL ALLOCATIONS:	\$347,875

#### **Managing the Process**

- 1. Identify the lead agency, entity, and agencies responsible for administering programs covered by the consolidated plan.
- 2. Identify the significant aspects of the process by which the plan was developed, and the agencies, groups, organizations, and others who participated in the process.
- 3. Describe actions that will take place during the next year to enhance coordination between public and private housing, health, and social service agencies.

#### **Action Plan Managing the Process response:**

Within the City of Cathedral City the organizational structure to manage and administer the CDBG Program/process are as follows:

<u>City Manager's Office:</u> Responsible for the City's day to day operations including financial commitments and program staffing.

<u>Finance Division:</u> As a division of the Administrative Services Department, this division serves as the financial agency and will be responsible for working with the Engineering Division to manage the CDBG budget, accounts payable, receiving, and other financial functions.

<u>Community Development Department</u>: This department oversees the divisions of Planning, Building, Code Compliance, Engineering, and Public Works.

<u>Engineering Division</u>: This division serves as the lead agency in coordinating and preparing the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans, and the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPER). The department administers the CDBG Program, ensures satisfactory product and service delivery by all grantees, and commits to meeting HUD requirements in its entirety.

<u>Public Works Division</u>: This division is responsible for maintenance of the City's infrastructure including streets, traffic signals, circulation, sewers, storm drains and parks. The Public Works Division also maintains public facilities and manages the City's graffiti removal.

Riverside County resources have been consulted as follows:

<u>Housing Authority</u>: Administers the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program, manages public housing, and provides emergency housing services.

<u>Department of Public and Social Services (DPSS)</u>: This department is responsible for administering the homeless programs throughout Riverside County and maintains the Continuum of Care (COC). The primary objective of the COC is to plan, organize, and deliver supportive social services, which includes housing options in order to meet specific needs of homeless persons and/or families. The goal of the COC coincides with HUD's goal to move persons towards stable housing and maximum self-sufficiency. DPSS is also responsible for the County's Anti-Poverty programs.

<u>Department of Health</u>: Administers the county-wide HIV/AIDS Program and Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. The City relies on this department to provide health services and protect the health of the residents.

<u>Economic Development Agency</u>: Administers the county-wide CDBG program and administers the county-wide Neighborhood Stabilization Program to ease foreclosures throughout Riverside County.

<u>Non-Profit Organizations</u>: These organizations provide a network of resources that address a variety of housing and community development needs and provide valuable feedback to the City. Non-profits are a bridge between subpopulations with unmet needs and the City.

<u>For Profit Business</u>: Businesses in the private sector and companies that assist in implementing the Annual Action Plan can include lenders, developers, and contractors. These organizations will assist the City in the delivery of its affordable housing programs.

#### **Citizen Participation**

- 1. Provide a summary of the citizen participation process.
- 2. Provide a summary of citizen comments or views on the plan.
- 3. Provide a summary of efforts made to broaden public participation in the development of the consolidated plan, including outreach to minorities and non-English speaking persons, as well as persons with disabilities.
- 4. Provide a written explanation of comments not accepted and the reasons why these comments were not accepted.

\*Please note that Citizen Comments and Responses may be included as additional files within the CPMP

#### **Action Plan Citizen Participation response:**

At least 30 days prior to adopting a Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan, the City of Cathedral City will make available to citizens, public agencies and additional interested parties a draft of these documents. The draft plan will include information on the amount of assistance the jurisdiction expects to receive from HUD. It will also include explanations of each program that the City plans to apply for and the estimated amount of such funds benefiting low and moderate income persons.

The City will hold no less than two formal public hearings each year to gain citizens' views and to respond to proposals and questions during different stages of the development of the Consolidated Plan or Action Plan. These hearings will cover topics regarding housing and community development needs, development of the proposed activities and review of program performance.

The 2015 Annual Action Plan was made available for public review and comment for a 30 day period beginning April 13, 2015 through May 14, 2015. The Annual Action Plan was advertised in the local newspaper and was available for review on the City's website (www.cathedralcity.gov), City Hall and the Cathedral City Branch Library.

#### **Public Comments:**

On during May 13, City Staff presented the Action Plan to Council for approval. Before the Action Plan was approved, Council opened a public hearing which allowed people to comment on the projects and/or the allocated amounts the City plans to execute for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year.

During the public hearing, Boys and Girls Club member, Margret Muhr, asked how the funds for the Public Services budget were determined. Mrs. Muhr mentioned she would like to see some of this funding allocated to the Boys and Girls Club of Cathedral City. She expressed that the Boys and Girls Club would greatly benefit from this type of funding.

City Staff responded by explaining the requirements of the CDBG program. Under the CDBG program, this program must have a direct benefit to low and moderate income children to qualify for funding. Staff also mentioned that Cathedral City already funds the Boys and Girls Club through its General Fund.

#### **Institutional Structure**

1. Describe actions that will take place during the next year to develop institutional structure.

#### **Action Plan Institutional Structure response:**

Cathedral City consists of a five member City Council which conducts public hearings, sets forth policies and procedures, adopts the City's budget and approves the City's entitlement funding. The City Manager is responsible for implementing the Council approved policies, resolutions, and budgets. Within the organizational structure of the City there is the Police, Fire, Administrative Services, and Community Development Departments.

CDBG Staff continues to develop positive working relationships with nonprofit organizations that are service providers to residents of Cathedral City. Partnerships with these organizations are vital to the community. Collaboration with the County of Riverside departments is also necessary to continue implementing many beneficial programs to the City. Staff will continue to seek new partners for economic development activities. In previous years, the economic decline caused a large number of business closures and high unemployment, however; the City has experienced an increase in interest for new partnerships and business opportunities.

The City of Cathedral City will continue to improve internal procedures in regard to allocations and administration of all CDBG programs. During the fourth year of the City's entitlement status Staff will continue to identify gaps and enhance communication in order to have greater accuracy with reporting, funding drawdowns, and monitoring.

#### Monitoring

1. Describe actions that will take place during the next year to monitor its housing and community development projects and ensure long-term compliance with program requirements and comprehensive planning requirements.

#### **Action Plan Monitoring response:**

The Community Development projects determined by the Annual Plan will be managed and carried out through the City of Cathedral City's Engineering Division as the lead agency. Staff will work with other departments, agencies, and sub-recipients to carry out any projects identified in the plan. Staff will also visit and conduct a subrecipient monitoring inspection at least twice a year of their CDBG documents to ensure records are maintained according to the City's program guidelines.

Cathedral City is committed to improving CDBG performance and compliance measures. Staff will utilize HUD's Integrated Distribution and Information System (IDIS) to ensure that financial information is reported on a regular basis. Staff will continue to monitor sub-recipients for compliance and performance measures. The sub-recipients are required to submit reports with proof of the work performed and proof that program requirements are being met. Reports are viewed by city staff to determine if the program is being carried out in a timely manner and the goals are being met. CDBG Staff monitors sub-recipients to ensure that maximum performance is being provided in order to provide a service needed in Cathedral City.

#### **Lead-based Paint**

Describe the actions that will take place during the next year to evaluate and reduce the number
of housing units containing lead-based paint hazards in order to increase the inventory of leadsafe housing available to extremely low-income, low-income, and moderate-income families,
and how the plan for the reduction of lead-based hazards is related to the extent of lead
poisoning and hazards.

#### **Action Plan Lead-based Paint response:**

Cathedral City is committed to eliminating lead-based paint hazards citywide particularly in homes occupied by low and moderate income households. The City will collaborate with HUD and the County to distribute information on health dangers of lead-based paint. City Staff will assist with education outreach and continually educate themselves on new regulations. The City will participate and support the regional lead based poisoning prevention program administered through Riverside County, Department of Public Health. The objectives of this agency are as follows:

- a. Educate the public about the dangers of lead:
  - Creation and Distribution of health education materials
  - Health Education Presentations
- b. Assist Property Owners and Families in eliminating sources of lead from their homes:
  - Lead Hazard Control Services and Incentives
  - Required testing on homes built prior to 1978
  - Visits to homes identified as potential health risks to determine source of lead to educate parents on how to eliminate it
- c. Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program:
  - Provide Medical Testing of children for lead poisoning on a sliding scale based on family income
  - Assist parents in treating children identified with lead poisoning.

## HOUSING

#### **Specific Housing Objectives**

- \*Please also refer to the Housing Needs Table in the Needs.xls workbook.
- 1. Describe the priorities and specific objectives the jurisdiction hopes to achieve during the next year.
- 2. Describe how Federal, State, and local public and private sector resources that are reasonably expected to be available will be used to address identified needs for the period covered by this Action Plan.

#### **Action Plan Specific Objectives response:**

Currently, the County is responsible for 477 public housing units throughout Riverside County. Cathedral City does not have any public housing complexes but does have residents that are participating in the Section 8 housing program. City Staff will collaborate with the County to continue providing housing choice for its residents.

The City of Cathedral City currently does not administer a HOME program for First Time Homebuyers, Housing Rehabilitation or Green Light Savings. If in the Future the City can locate funding to administer these programs Staff will amend the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan.

#### **Needs of Public Housing**

- 1. Describe the manner in which the plan of the jurisdiction will help address the needs of public housing and activities it will undertake during the next year to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership.
- 2. If the public housing agency is designated as "troubled" by HUD or otherwise is performing poorly, the jurisdiction shall describe the manner in which it will provide financial or other assistance in improving its operations to remove such designation during the next year.

#### **Action Plan Public Housing Strategy response:**

Cathedral City has contracted with Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB) to affirmatively further fair housing in the City. IFHMB manages the landlord-tenant mediation program, anti-discrimination services and also provides educational services and seminars regarding first time homebuyer information. City staff will continue to search for funding opportunities to administer housing programs aimed at homeownership. IFHMB has provided valuable services to Cathedral City residents and multi-unit complexes. IFHMB has helped many residents resolve housing discrimination and rental issues.

#### **Barriers to Affordable Housing**

 Describe the actions that will take place during the next year to remove barriers to affordable housing.

#### **Action Plan Barriers to Affordable Housing response:**

Throughout the Consolidated Plan process the City identified potential factors that act as barriers to affordable housing. Cathedral City will continue reviewing the constraints and will correct the impediments as it has the authority to eliminate or improve. Constraints are detailed below:

#### **Governmental Constraints:**

- Land Use Controls
- General Plan
- Zoning Codes
- Specific Plans
- Density Bonuses

- Developer Fees
- Multi-Species Habitat Conservation Program

#### **Non-Governmental Constraints**

- Environmental Hazards and Issues
- Infrastructure Constraints
- Land Prices
- Construction Costs
- Financing

The City of Cathedral City is committed to affirmatively furthering fair housing through fair housing services contracted through IFHMB. It is imperative for residents of Cathedral City to have access to fair housing choice regardless of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, disability, familial status, source of income, sexual orientation, or any other arbitrary factor. Services provided by IFHMB include: Anti-Discrimination, Landlord-Tenant, Training and Technical Assistance, Enforcement of Housing Rights, Administrative Hearings for the Housing Authority of Riverside County, and Special Projects.

The City does not administer a HOME program but will amend the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan if funding for the programs can be secured.

#### **HOME/ American Dream Down payment Initiative (ADDI)**

- 1. Describe other forms of investment not described in § 92.205(b).
- 2. If the participating jurisdiction (PJ) will use HOME or ADDI funds for homebuyers, it must state the quidelines for resale or recapture, as required in § 92.254 of the HOME rule.
- 3. If the PJ will use HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is that is being rehabilitated with HOME funds, it must state its refinancing guidelines required under § 92.206(b). The guidelines shall describe the conditions under which the PJ will refinance existing debt. At a minimum these guidelines must:
  - a. Demonstrate that rehabilitation is the primary eligible activity and ensure that this requirement is met by establishing a minimum level of rehabilitation per unit or a required ratio between rehabilitation and refinancing.
  - b. Require a review of management practices to demonstrate that disinvestments in the property has not occurred; that the long-term needs of the project can be met; and that the feasibility of serving the targeted population over an extended affordability period can be demonstrated.
  - c. State whether the new investment is being made to maintain current affordable units, create additional affordable units, or both.
  - d. Specify the required period of affordability, whether it is the minimum 15 years or longer.
  - e. Specify whether the investment of HOME funds may be jurisdiction-wide or limited to a specific geographic area, such as a neighborhood identified in a neighborhood revitalization strategy

under 24 CFR 91.215(e)(2) or a Federally designated Empowerment Zone or Enterprise Community.

- f. State that HOME funds cannot be used to refinance multifamily loans made or insured by any federal program, including CDBG.
- 4. If the PJ is going to receive American Dream Down payment Initiative (ADDI) funds, please complete the following narratives:
  - a. Describe the planned use of the ADDI funds.
  - b. Describe the PJ's plan for conducting targeted outreach to residents and tenants of public housing and manufactured housing and to other families assisted by public housing agencies, for the purposes of ensuring that the ADDI funds are used to provide down payment assistance for such residents, tenants, and families.
  - c. Describe the actions to be taken to ensure the suitability of families receiving ADDI funds to undertake and maintain homeownership, such as provision of housing counseling to homebuyers.

#### **Action Plan HOME/ADDI response:**

The City does not receive HOME/ADDI funds. Cathedral City is seeking funding options to administer this program.

## **HOMELESS**

#### **Specific Homeless Prevention Elements**

\*Please also refer to the Homeless Needs Table in the Needs.xls workbook.

- 1. Sources of Funds—Identify the private and public resources that the jurisdiction expects to receive during the next year to address homeless needs and to prevent homelessness. These include the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act programs, other special federal, state and local and private funds targeted to homeless individuals and families with children, especially the chronically homeless, the HUD formula programs, and any publicly-owned land or property. Please describe, briefly, the jurisdiction's plan for the investment and use of funds directed toward homelessness.
- 2. Homelessness—In a narrative, describe how the action plan will address the specific objectives of the Strategic Plan and, ultimately, the priority needs identified. Please also identify potential obstacles to completing these action steps.
- 3. Chronic homelessness—The jurisdiction must describe the specific planned action steps it will take over the next year aimed at eliminating chronic homelessness by 2012. Again, please identify barriers to achieving this.

4. Homelessness Prevention—The jurisdiction must describe its planned action steps over the next year to address the individual and families with children at imminent risk of becoming homeless.

5. Discharge Coordination Policy—Explain planned activities to implement a cohesive, community-wide Discharge Coordination Policy, and how, in the coming year, the community will move toward such a policy.

#### **Action Plan Special Needs response:**

The City is committed to working with the County of Riverside's Continuum of Care (CoC) and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) Homelessness Committee goal to end homelessness throughout the County. The resources at the County level are more conducive to combatting homelessness due to their economies of scale. Locally, the City will collaborate with other local units of government to fight the issue of homelessness.

Riverside County's Homelessness Programs Unit has set forth to develop and maintain effective county-wide COC. The COC is the regions plan on organizing the delivery of supportive social services which includes housing options. These services are in place to assist homeless persons move towards stable housing and maximum self-sufficiency. Cathedral City will continue to participate with the COC and the local task force to end homelessness. The objectives of the COC are:

- Homeless Prevention
- Discharge Planning
- Street Outreach
- Shelter Beds
- Transitional Housing
- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Permanent Affordable Housing
- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- Mainstream Resources
- Housing Trust Fund
- Inclusionary Housing Practices

#### **Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG)**

(States only) Describe the process for awarding grants to State recipients, and a description of how the allocation will be made available to units of local government.

#### **Action Plan ESG response:**

Cathedral City does not administer ESG.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Community Development**

\*Please also refer to the Community Development Table in the Needs.xls workbook.

- 1. Identify the jurisdiction's priority non-housing community development needs eligible for assistance by CDBG eligibility category specified in the Community Development Needs Table (formerly Table 2B), public facilities, public improvements, public services and economic development.
- Identify specific long-term and short-term community development objectives (including economic development activities that create jobs), developed in accordance with the statutory goals described in section 24 CFR 91.1 and the primary objective of the CDBG program to provide decent housing and a suitable living environment and expand economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

\*Note: Each specific objective developed to address a priority need, must be identified by number and contain proposed accomplishments, the time period (i.e., one, two, three, or more years), and annual program year numeric goals the jurisdiction hopes to achieve in quantitative terms, or in other measurable terms as identified and defined by the jurisdiction.

#### **Action Plan Community Development response:**

In Fiscal Year 2015, CDBG funding will be used in combination with a *Safe Routes to School* federal grant to provide better accessibility on foot for children who use school buses to get to and from school. The rehabilitation of this street and sidewalks will provide a suitable living environment and expand economic opportunities for people residing in Census Track 449.15. The City has budgeted \$224,450 of the Capital Improvements Cap and \$5,913 of the remaining balance of the Public Service Cap for this project.

CDBG funding will also be used to make public improvements to provide a suitable living environment for residents in the Dream Homes community. In 2015, the City anticipates implementing the San Joaquin Sidewalk Design for the installation of curb and gutter and to reconstruct the street. The City has budgeted \$117,512 of the Capital Improvements Cap for this project.

During the fourth year of Cathedral City's entitlement the city will utilize CDBG funding for the following project:

Description	Objective	Proposed Funding
Ortega Road Street	Street reconstruction and	\$230,363 (CDBG)
Improvement Project	rehabilitation of local street	\$393,000 (Safe Routes
		to School)
San Joaquin Drive Street	Curb, gutter, and street	\$117,512
Improvements	reconstruction and rehabilitation of	
	local street	

#### **Antipoverty Strategy**

1. Describe the actions that will take place during the next year to reduce the number of poverty level families.

#### **Action Plan Antipoverty Strategy response:**

The City's Anti-Poverty Programs are administered by the County. Due to the economies of scale the County size and resources are better able to deliver the most services in the most effective manner. It may be advantageous for the City to participate or administer specific programs that could expand its anti-poverty and affordable housing goals. During this fiscal year the City will research and identify federal, state, and county resources and funding sources to further the City's housing and community goals. Cathedral City will continue to analyze identified programs, projects, and financing tools to determine the best alternatives that will benefit City goals and objectives.

## NON-HOMELESS SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING

#### Non-homeless Special Needs (91.220 (c) and (e))

\*Please also refer to the Non-homeless Special Needs Table in the Needs.xls workbook.

- 1. Describe the priorities and specific objectives the jurisdiction hopes to achieve for the period covered by the Action Plan.
- 2. Describe how Federal, State, and local public and private sector resources that are reasonably expected to be available will be used to address identified needs for the period covered by this Action Plan.

#### **Action Plan Specific Objectives response:**

The City will implement its Non-Homeless Special Needs populations through the public service program and projects as follows:

Description	Objectives	Proposed Budget
Graffiti Removal	Predominantly within the	City's General Fund, managed
	Target Area which benefit low	by Public Works Department
	to moderate income	
	residents. Approximately 1000	
	locations will be eliminated	
Inland Fair Housing and	Investigation of housing	CDBG, Planning and
Mediation Board (IFHMB)	discrimination, mediate	Administration
	landlord tenant disputes,	
	educational classes and	
	trainings, advocacy services	

#### **Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS**

\*Please also refer to the HOPWA Table in the Needs.xls workbook.

- 1. Provide a Brief description of the organization, the area of service, the name of the program contacts, and a broad overview of the range/ type of housing activities to be done during the next year.
- 2. Report on the actions taken during the year that addressed the special needs of persons who are not homeless but require supportive housing, and assistance for persons who are homeless.
- 3. Evaluate the progress in meeting its specific objective of providing affordable housing, including a comparison of actual outputs and outcomes to proposed goals and progress made on the other planned actions indicated in the strategic and action plans. The evaluation can address any related program adjustments or future plans.
- 4. Report on annual HOPWA output goals for the number of households assisted during the year in: (1) short-term rent, mortgage and utility payments to avoid homelessness; (2) rental assistance programs; and (3) in housing facilities, such as community residences and SRO dwellings, where funds are used to develop and/or operate these facilities. Include any assessment of client outcomes for achieving housing stability, reduced risks of homelessness and improved access to care.
- 5. Report on the use of committed leveraging from other public and private resources that helped to address needs identified in the plan.
- 6. Provide an analysis of the extent to which HOPWA funds were distributed among different categories of housing needs consistent with the geographic distribution plans identified in its approved Consolidated Plan.
- 7. Describe any barriers (including non-regulatory) encountered, actions in response to barriers, and recommendations for program improvement.
- Please describe the expected trends facing the community in meeting the needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS and provide additional information regarding the administration of services to people with HIV/AIDS.
- 9. Please note any evaluations, studies or other assessments that will be conducted on the local HOPWA program during the next year.

#### **Action Plan HOPWA response:**

Cathedral City does not administer HOPWA.

#### **Specific HOPWA Objectives**

Describe how Federal, State, and local public and private sector resources that are reasonably expected to be available will be used to address identified needs for the period covered by the Action Plan.

## **Specific HOPWA Objectives response:**

Cathedral City does not administer HOPWA.

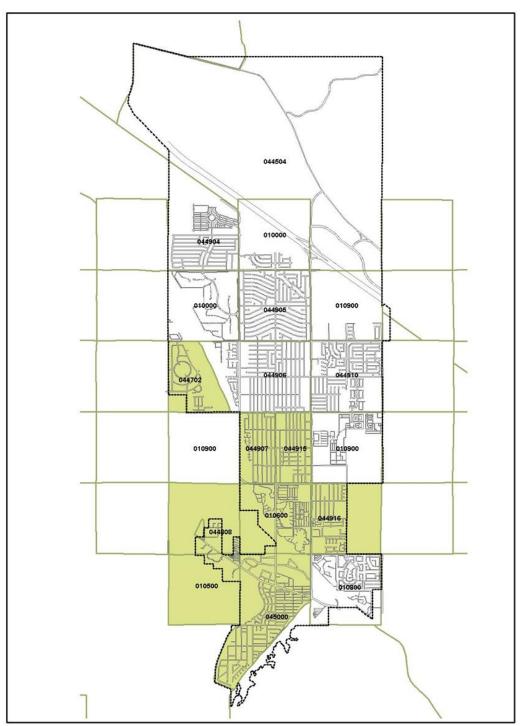
## Other Narrative

Include any Action Plan information that was not covered by a narrative in any other section.

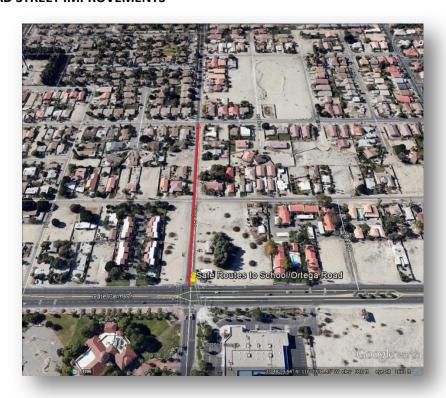
Cathedral City will continue to assist qualified low income homeowners with sewer connections with use of the Revolving Sewer Loan Program from FY 2012's CDBG entitlement.

#### **TARGET AREA MAP**

The areas that are shaded in green are areas within the City with that contain the highest levels of very low, low, and moderate income residents. These areas represent a high concentration of very low, low and moderate income households. The areas represent 8 out of 20 census tracts that qualify for CDBG assistance as defined by the national objective of eliminating slums and blighted areas.



## **ORTEGA ROAD STREET IMPROVEMENTS**





## **SAN JOAQUIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS**



